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METHODIST COUNCIL OF KOREA.

SEPTEMBER 24, 1919.

Morning Session.

The Eighth Annual Session of the Methodist Council of Korea met in the auditorium of the Pierson Memorial Bible School, Sept. 24th, 1919. at 9:30 A. M. with Rev. Corwin Taylor in the chair. Devotional exercises were led by the chairman. The following were present: Bishop Herbert Welch, Dr. W. A. Noble, Dr. E. M. Cable, Dr. J. D. Van Buskirk, Rev. Corwin Taylor, Rev. C. D. Morris, Rev. J. W. Hitch, Rev. B. W. Billings, Rev. J. V. Lacy, Rev. E. W. Anderson, Mr. McConnell. Mr. Shacklock, Miss Mary Appenzeller, Miss Alice Appenzeller, Miss Van Fleet, Miss Church, Miss Beiler, Miss Marker, Miss Smith, Mrs. Billings, Mrs. Cable, and Mrs. Taylor.

E. W. Anderson was elected Secretary pro tem.

The following nominating committee was appointed: J. W. Hitch, Dr. J. D. Van Buskirk, and Miss Alice Appenzeller.

Dr. Van Buskirk moved that the Council resolve itself into a committee of the whole to consider the matters to be brought before the several committees. The motion was adopted.

Dr. Van Buskirk reported for the nominating committee, and the following were elected officers of the Council: Chairman, Bishop Herbert Welch; Vice-Chairman, J. W. Hitch; Secretary, E. W. Anderson.

The Committees were called in order.

Executive Committee. The matter of Church Union was taken up and discussed. Bishop Welch and J. W. Hitch were appointed as a committee to draw up a statement on the subject of Union to be presented to the Federal Council.

Educational Committee. No report submitted.

Ministerial Training. A verbal report was submitted by Dr. W. A. Noble. After discussion of the difficulties that confront the Church in the matter of suitable material for the ministerial office, Mr. Morris moved that Dr. Noble and Dr. Cable be appointed as a committee to draw up resolutions looking toward conserving the supply of students available for the ministry. The motion was adopted.

Publishing Interests. A verbal report was submitted by Dr. Cable. It was moved that the Committee on Publications be continued for work along the lines previously undertaken.

Nominating Committee. Report was submitted by Dr. Van Buskirk, and adopted. See list of committees.

On motion the meeting adjourned to meet at two o'clock in the afternoon in the parlors at Ewha.

Afternoon Session.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 P. M. in the parlors at Ewha. with Rev. J. W. Hitch in the chair. Rev. M. B. Stokes led in prayer.

Dr. Noble submitted the report of the Committee on Ministerial Supply and Training. Report was adopted. See Report.

Sunday School Committee. A verbal report was made by Mrs. W. A. Noble, and a supplementary report by Rev. Corwin Taylor. Rev. J. V. Lacy made a statement as to sunday school conditions in America.

Work for Chinese in Korea. A verbal report was submitted by Rev. B. W. Billings.

Foreign missions for the Korean Church. A verbal report was made by Dr. Noble. and a statement by Bishop Welch concerning plans for work in Manchuria and Siberia. A letter from Dr. Hardie in regard to prospective work in these fields was read.

Evangelistic Committee. Plans were discussed looking toward more intensive efforts at reaching non-believers.

Committee on Conference. Dr. Noble moved that the council go on record as looking with great favor on all efforts looking toward the union of Methodist work in Korea. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Rev. C. D. Morris moved that the Secretary be instructed to notify all Methodist Missionaries two weeks in advance of the next session of the Methodist Council. The motion was adopted.

After prayer led by Bishop Welch the meeting adjourned.

TOKYO STUDENT WORK REPORT, 1918-1919.

Pastor Yim reports in general as follows for the past year,—"Under great difficulties, the Tokyo church has still been growing in faith during the year. In Tokyo, there are nearly 800 students, in "Kyungto" thirty and in Osaka about twenty. Of the students in Tokyo about half profess belief. On Sunday as many as 120 students attend at times.

In the factories around Tokyo and Yokohoma there are about 1,000 Korean operatives. Around Kobe and Osaka, there are about 8,000 and in all Japan there are about 40,000 Korean workmen.

Every Sunday evening I go to Yokohoma for service and there are about seven or eight places where meetings are held around these cities. This last January the church and the Y. M. C. A. combined in planning to send students to preach to the factory workers. The Y. M. C. A. expected to furnish Y 200 and the students Y 200 for the work, but in February the agitations began and about sixty of the students were arrested so that matters were left at a standstill.

Now since it is summer the Sunday attendance is 30 to 40 only but the students are beginning to return and the attendance is growing.

I have visited the students who are in jail and have preached to them. One of them formerly bitterly opposed Christianity, but in the jail he has been reading the New Testament and other Christian books and he recently wrote me saying that he was going now to be a real Christian, that he had not before relaized the grace of God but that he now knew Christ to be the son of God and his Savior, and that the teachers who formerly taught him to oppose Christ were extremely foolish. Heasked that an Old Testament also be sent to him so I sent him an Old Testament in Japanese.

All of the boys in jail have received much comfort and grace.

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